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SUBJ: NATO SCIENCE - SCIENCE COMMITTEE MEETING AT NATO, FEB  
5-6, 1976 - ANNOTATED AGENDA

REF: USNATO 5550; AC/137-A/54, DATED JANUARY 14, 1976

SUMMARY: REFDOD JUST ISSUED CONTAINS AGENDA FOR FORTHCOMING  
SCIENCE COMMITTEE (SC) MEETING AT NATO. ANNOTATED VERSION WITH  
MISSION COMMENT IS SET FORTH BELOW, BASED ON USUAL PRE-  
MEETING PLANNING SESSION WITH ASYG OZDAS AND DASYG KOVACH.  
UNDERSTAND US DEL TO SC WILL BE DR. WILLIAM NIERENBERG,  
DIRECTOR OF SCRIPPS INSTITUTE OF OCEANOGRAPHY, AND DR. PHOIP  
HEMILY OF STATE DEPT, FOR WHOM WE HAVE TENTATIVELY RESERVED  
SINGLES AT AUBERGE ST. MICHEL FOR NIGHTS OF FEB 3 THROUGH 6.  
WOULD APPRECIATE CONFIRMATION THEIR TRAVEL PLANS. END SUMMARY:.

I. OPENING REMARKS BY CHAIRMAN - APART FROM WELCOMING STATE-  
MENT, OZDAS PLANS ONLY REPORT ON CCMS DEVELOPMENTS.

II. ANNUAL REPORT ON DEFENSE RESEARCH GROUP (DRG) ACTIVITIES.  
REFERENCE: AC/243-D/419. THIS WILL BE ANNUAL ORAL REPORT TO SC  
BY ING. GEN. NASLIN, HEAD OF NATO'S DEFENSE RESEARCH SECTION,  
ON PROGRAM OF DRG. REFDOD (DATED OCT 15, 1975) IS DRG CHAIRMAN'S  
REPORT TO CONFERENCE OF NATIONAL ARMAMENTS DIRECTORS  
LAST FALL, CITED HERE FOR BENEFIT OF SC MEMBERS WHO WOULD ALSO  
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FIND WRITTEN REPORT USEFUL.

III. FUNDING OF SCIENTIFIC PROGRAMMES IN 1976. DOCUEMTN: AC  
/137-D/596.-THIS IS ACTION ITEM. IN REFDOD JUST ISSUED (DATED

JAN 15, 1976), OZDAS REQUESTS SC APPROVAL FOR:

(A) REALLOCATION OF 1976 CREDITS FOR SCIENCE PROGRAM. SC HAD ORIGINALLY RECOMMENDED 1976 OVERALL SC BUDGET OF BF 300 MILLION. FINAL SC BUDGET FOR 1976 AS APPROVED BY CIVIL BUDGET COMMITTEE (CBC) AND NAC IS BF 290 MILLION. WITHIN THIS OVERALL AMOUNT AZDAS PROPOSES ALLOCATION OF CREDITS AS FOLLOWS: FELLOWSHIPS - BF 160 MILLION, OR 55.2PERCENT; ADVANCED STUDY INSTITUTES - BF 61 MILLION, OR 21PERCENT; RESEARCH GRANTS- BF 39 MILLION, OR 13.5PERCENT; AND PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT FUND - BF 30 MILLION, OR 10.3PERCENT; LEVELS REMAIN ESSENTIALLY PROPORTIONAL TO SC'S ORIGINAL RECOMMENDATIONS AT ITS FEB 1975 MEETING (AC/137-R/52, PARA 119), TAKING INTO ACCOUNT ELIMINATION MEANWHILE OF TWO SPECIAL PROGRAM PANESL. THIS IS ROUTINE BUDGETARY ADJUSTMENT FOR WHICH WE RECOMMEND US APPROVAL.

(B) OZDAS ASKS SC APPROVAL OF HIS PROPOSED ALLOCATION OF PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT FUND AMONG ITS COMPONENT SPECIAL PROGRAM PANELS AND PROGRAM PLANNING FUND. THIS ANNUAL APPORTIONMENT IS WITHIN LIMITS OF FUNDS AVAILABLE AND IS WITHIN SC'S COMPETENCE. WE LEAVE TO DEPT'S JUDGEMENT ANY POSSIBLE MODIFICATIONS IN EMPHASIS TO BE GIVEN TO INDIVIDUAL PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT FUND ITEMS.

(C) OZDAS ASKS SC TO GRANT HIM AUTHORITY TO SHIFT FUNDS BETWEEN ITEMS WITHIN PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT FUND UP TO A MAXIMUM OF 20PERCENT OF ALLOCATON APPROVED BY SC FOR EACH RESPECTIVE ITEM, WITH ANY SUCH DECISION BY HIS REPORTED TO SC AT ITS NEXT MEETING. WE SEE NO PROBLEM WITH APPROVING THIS PROPOSAL AS CONSISTENT WITH RECOMMENDATION OF CIVIL BUDGET COMMITTEE AND NAC IN APPROVING 1976 SC BUDGET, WHICH LEFT DISTRIBUTION OF APPROVED TOTAL AMOUNT (BF 290 MILLION) TO DISCRETION OF SYG ACTING ON RECOMMENDATIONS OF SC (SEE C-M(75)78, DATED DEC 11, 1975). IN THIS SPECIFIC INSTNACE, OZDAS SEEKS MORE EXPLICIT GRANT OF LIMITED DISCRETIONARY AUTHORITY BY SC; HE PREFERS NOT TO EXERCISE EVEN LIMITED DISCRETION WITHOUT SC'S PRIOR AGREEMENT IN PRINCIPLE AND SUBJECT TO ITS ERARLY EXPOST FACTO CONCURRENCE. AS STATED REFDOC THIS ITEM, PURPOSE IS TO ALLOW HIM AND SCIENCE DIVISION INCREASED FLEXIBILITY AND SHORTER RESPONSE TIME IN ADMINISTRATION. UNCLASSIFIED

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TION OF SCIENCE PROGRAM DURING MONTHS BETWEEN SC MEETINGS. REQUEST GUIDANCE.

IV. SCIENCE COMMITTEE REPORT TO COUNCIL. REFERENCE: AC/137-R/53, ITEM XI. REPORT BY THE AD HOC GROUP. AT ITS LAST MEETING (REFTEL), SC DESIGNATED THREE MAN AD HOC COMMITTEE OF MEMBERS FROM UK, NORWAY AND CANADA TO PREPARE DRAFT SC REPORT TO NAC, FOR CONSIDERATION OF SC AS A WHOLE. UK REP (SIR SAM EDWARDS) HAS CIRCULATED A DRAFT TO OTHER TWO AND IS EXPECTED TO MAKE ORAL STATUS REPORT ON MATTER TO SC AT FORTHCOMING MEETING; HOWEVER DRAFT TEXT IS NOT YET AVAILABLE FOR PRIOR CIRCULATION TO SC FOR ACTION AT THIS TIME.

V. SCIENCE FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM - DOCUMENTS: AC/137-D/578 AND AC/137-D/595. D/578 IS STATISTICAL ANALYSIS OF 1973 FELLOWSHIP AWARDS (MOST RECENT YEAR FOR WHICH COMPLETE STATISTICS AVAILABLE). SC MAY WISH DISCUSS. D/595 IS ROUTINE STATUS REPORT BY FELLOWSHIP PANEL WHICH SC SHOULD NOTE.

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VI. SENIOR SCIENTISTS PROGRAMME. DOCUMENT: AC/137-D/592.

THIS IS LISTING OF 1975 AWARDS. SC SHOULD NOTE.

VII. RESEARCH GRANTS PROGRAMME. DOCUMENT: AC/137-D/588. THIS IS PARTIAL LISTING OF 1975 GRANTS. SC SHOULD NOTE.

VIII. ADVANCED STUDY INSTITUTES PROGRAMME. DOCUMENT: AC/137-D/594. THIS IS LISTING OF PANEL'S MOST RECENT GRANTS. SC SHOULD NOTE.

IX. ANNUAL REVIEW OF SPECIAL PROGRAMMES. DOCUMENT: ASG.SEA (76)24-TO BE CIRCULATED.

(A) SYSTEMS SCIENCES. DOCUMENTS: AC/137-D/591, AC/137-D/593.

(B) HUMAN FACTOR. DOCUMENTS: AC/137-D/590, AC/137-D/593

(C) ECO-SCIENCES. DOCUMENTS: AC/137-D/585, AC/137-D/597

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(D) MARINE SCIENCES. DOCUMENT: AC/137-D/589(TO BE CIRCULATED)

(E) AIR-SEA INTERACTION, DOCUMENT: AC/137-D/587(TO BE CIRCULATED) EXPENSIVE ANNUAL PRACTICE IN PAST YEARS OF BRINGING PANEL CHAIRMEN IN PERSON TO REPORT ORALLY TO SC ON THEIR RESPECTIVE GROUP'S ACTIVITIES HAS BEEN DISCONTINUED; INSTEAD, THEY HAVE BEEN ASKED TO SUBMIT WRITTEN ANNUAL WRAPUP STATEMENTS (ASG.SEA(76)24) FOR INFO OF SC. INDIVIDUAL PANEL REFDOS ABOVE ARE REPORTS OF MOST RECENT MEETING OF EACH PANEL. SC SHOULD NOTE.

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X. APPOINTMENT OF PANEL MEMBERS. DOCUMENT: ASG.SEA (76)25.  
THIS REFDOC, JUST CIRCULATED, OUTLINES PROBLEMS ENCOUNTERED BY SCIENCE DIVISION IN CONNECTION WITH PROCESS OF NOMINATION AND APPOINTMENT OF NEW PANEL MEMBERS AND SUGGESTS CERTAIN PROCEDURAL MODIFICATIONS (UNDER SAME PREVAILING GROUND RULES), REQUESTING SC GUIDANCE. US REP SHOULD BE PREPARED DISCUSS.

XI. STUDY GROUP ON RATIOAL USE OF POTENTIALLY SCARCE METALS. ORAL STATEMENT. ONE YEAR AGO SC GAVE FORMAL STATUS TO HGROUP STUDYING THIS QUESTION. GROUP WILL HAVE DRAFT REPORT AVAILABLE FOR CIRCULATION AT THIS SC MEETING (NOTBEFOREHAND) FOR SC MEMBERS INFO AND COMMENT: REPORT, WHICH MAKES EXTENSIVE USE OF PGRAPHICS, IS COMPILATION OF PREVIOUSLY WIDELY SCATTERED DATE ON ELEVEN KEY METALS; IT WILL BE ACCOMPANIED BY ELEVEN DETAILED APPENDICES COVERING EACH ONE. GROUP WILL MEET ONCE MORE IN LATE FEBRUARY TO PUT FINISHING TOUCHES TO REPORT BEFORE ITS PUBLICATION.

XII. PROPOSAL FOR SPECIAL PROGRAMME ON MATERIALS SCIENCE. REFERENCE: AC/137-R/53, ITEM XIII. DOCUMENT: ASG.SEA(75)274. THIS IS ACTION ITEM. REFDOC ASG-SEA (75)274 IS SCOPE STATEMENT PREPARED BY US (RECEIVED BY MISSION UNDER COVER OF HEMILY LETTER, DATED DEC 5 1975) WHICH FOLLOWED UP US INITIATIVE IN PROPOSING ESTABLISHMENT OF NEW SPECIAL PROGRAM PANEL IN THIS FIELD AT LAST SC MEETING IN REYKJAVIK IN OCT 1975 (REF-TEL). SC ACCEPTANCE OF SCOPE STATEMENT IS NECESSARY NEXG STEP TOWARD FORMATION OF PANEL (CREATION OF WHHICH SC HAS ALREADY SUPPORTED IN PRINCIPLE AT ITS LAST MEETING). US REP SHOULD BE PREPARED TO AMPLIFY AS NECESSARY.

XIII. ANY OTHER BUSINESS. KOVACH HAS OBSERVED TO US THAT OUTLOOK IS GOOD FOR SC-SPONSORED CONFERENCE ON THERMAL ENERGY STORAGE TO HELD IN SCOTLAND AT BEGINNING OF MARCH, WITH 65 SCIENTISTS ATTENDING FROM ACADEMIC, INDUSTRIAL AND GOVERNMENTAL INSTITUTIONS IN NINE COUNTRIES. HE MENTIONED THAT THERE ARE NO OTHER UPCOMING SC SCIENTIFIC CONFERENCES IN PIPELINE AT PRESENT AND SAID THAT IDEAS FOR FUTURE ONES WOULD BE MOST WELCOME.

XIV. INFORMATION ON NEXT MEETING. NEXT SC MEETING IS SLATED UNCLASSIFIED

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TO TAKE PLACE IN COPENHAGEN ON MAY 24-26. DANISH HOSTS ARE EXPECTED TO PROVIDE PARTICULARS AT FORTHCOMING MEETING AT NATO. SCIENCE DIVISION HAS REMINDED US THAT FALL SC MEETING WILL BE OCT 4-5 AT NATO.STREATOR

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